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For: FILM FOR PACKING LIQUIDS OR THE LIKE AND METHOD FOR

MANUFACTURING SUCH A FILM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT BEFORE EXAMINATION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper accompanies documents submitted to initiate national stage processing of the above-identified international patent application. Before examination on the merits, the application is amended as follows.

AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

The abstract is provided as shown on a separate page of this paper under the heading "AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT".

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The amendments to the claims appear in the following pages under the heading "LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS". The claim listing replaces all previous versions of the